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WHITE HOUSE PLEASE PASS SAN CLEMENTE FOR SECRETARY ROGERS

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP ( ROGERS, WILLIAM), PFOR

SUBJECT: SPECIAL SUMMARY FOR THE SECRETARY

SPECIAL SUMMARY NO. 4.

AMONG ITEMS NOT PREVIOUSLY REPEATED TO THE SECRETARY ARE:

### 1. REGULAR LAO INTERNAL PLENARY CANCELLED

FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE OCTOBER 17, A REGULAR TUESDAY PLENARY SESSION OF THE LAO INTERNAL TALKS HAS BEEN CANCELLED. EMBASSY VIENTIANE REPORTS THAT THE REQUEST WAS MADE BY THE RLG AND THAT THE LPF AGREED IN ORDER TO PERMIT PRIVATE MEETINGS. AN LPF OFFICIAL CLAIMED PUBLICLY APRIL 2 THAT OBSTACLES TO PROGRESS ARE NOT INSURMOUNTABLE BUT THAT AGREEMENT MUST BE REACHED ON A TOTAL MILITARY AND POLITICAL PACKAGE BEFORE A COALITION GOVERNMENT CAN BE FORMED. ( CONFIDENTIAL) VIENTIANE 2466, 4/3.

### 2. LAOTIAN NEGOTIATIONS: AN RLG VIEW

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EMBASSY VIENTIANE OBSERVES THAT UNLESS THE LAOTIAN PRIME MINISTER CAN PERSUADE THE LPF TO SEPARATE THE SETTLEMENT OF POLITICAL FROM MILITARY ISSUES, THE EARLY FORMATION OF A COALITION GOVERNMENT APPEARS DOUBTFUL. THE LAOTIAN MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR BELIEVES THAT POLITICAL DIFFERENCES ARE SURMOUNTABLE BUT THAT A NUMBER OF LPF DEMANDS IN THE MILITARY SPHERE ARE UN-ACCEPTABLE AND WILL TAKE CONSIDERABLE TIME TO WORK OUT. HE BELIEVES HARD LINERS ARE IN CHARGE OF THE LPF. ( CONFIDENTIAL) VIENTIANE 2454, 4/2 ( EXDIS).

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